Anomaly in Hours of Duty of Group D Employees in Kendriya Vidyalayas

929. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state.

(a) what are the designations of Group D employees in the Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Chowkidars have to perform much longer hours of duty, as compared to others in the Group D categories; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) The designations of Group D employees in the Kendriya Vidyalayas as per Article 38 of the Sangathan's Education Code are: Chowkidar, Farash, Laboratory Attendent, Mali, Peon, Sweeper and Water-man.

(b) and (c) As per Kendriya Vidyalayas Circular No. F. 16-2|72-KVS (Estt.) dated 9-4-74, the working hours of Chowkidars start at the closing of Offices|Vidyalayas on the duty day and end at their opening, the subsequent day. These working hours have been fixed taking into account the nature of and the time at which, duty is to be performed by the Chowkidars.

Representation of Kendriya Vidyalayas Sangathan Employees Association in the Council under Joint Consultative Machinery

930. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only those employees associations are represented on the Council provided for under the Joint Consultative Machinery for Kendriya Vidyalayas, which are recognised for the purpose;

(b) whether it is also a fact that employees' association representing one of the four groups|categories and having 15 per cent of the total strength of concerned category/group is eligible; and

(c) what is the mode of distribution of 7 staff side seats of the council when there are 2 to 6 recognised employees' associations in one or more of the four main groups, e.g. teaching staff, principal non-teaching staff, etc.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) An association of employees, to be recognised for eligibility in the Council of the Joint Consultative Machinery, shall have a minimum membership strength of 15 per cent of the categories of employees which it purports to represent.

The mode of distribution of the Seven Staff Side seats is provision of representation, according to the strength of the associations recognised, for (i) Teachers, (ii) Non-teaching staff and (iii) Staff of Headquarters Office and Regional Offices.

The present distribution of seats is as follows:

— Teachers (two associations)	5
— Non-teaching Staff (one association)	1
— Staff of Headquarters Office and Regional Offices	1
Total	7